

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Hisato YOSHII

Appln. No.: 09/688,863

Confirmation No.: 2476

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Docket No: Q61364

Group Art Unit: 3724

Examiner: Charles Goodman



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Election
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3100 MAIL ROOM

For: ROTARY CUTTING MACHINE FOR CORRUGATED CARDBOARD PLATE

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 13, 2002, in which the Examiner set a shortened statutory period for response by one month, making a reply due on or before July 13, 2002.

In the Action, the Examiner has required election of species to one of the following:

Species I: shown in Figs. 1, 2, 4A and 4B;

Species II: shown in Figs. 5A-6; and

Species III: Shown in Figs. 7-8

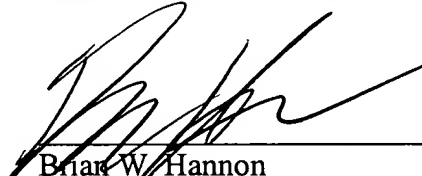
Applicant hereby elects Species I, drawn to Figures 1, 2, 4A and 4B, which correspond to claims 1-4 and 6, without traverse. Applicant reserves the right to file divisional applications on the non-elected claims. Applicant submits that the Examiner has determined that claim 1 appears to be generic.

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In view of the foregoing, Applicant believes that a complete examination on the merits is now in order. Early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,



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